

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 19 public bills, H.R. 3539–3557; and 10 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 210–212; and H. Res. 651–657 were introduced. **Pages H10432–34**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H10434–35**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Supplemental report on H.R. 1852, to modernize and update the National Housing Act and enable the Federal Housing Administration to use risk-based pricing to more effectively reach underserved borrowers (H. Rept. 110–217, Pt. 2);

H. R. 2698, to authorize appropriations for the civil aviation research and development projects and activities of the Federal Aviation Administration, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–329);

H. Res. 650, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1852) to modernize and update the National Housing Act and enable the Federal Housing Administration to use risk-based pricing to more effectively reach underserved borrowers (H. Rept. 110–330); and

H.R. 2881, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2008 through 2011, to improve aviation safety and capacity, to provide stable funding for the national aviation system, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–331). **Page H10432**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Ruppertsberger to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H10371**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:31 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. **Page H10371**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted a report that assesses the status of each of the 18 Iraqi benchmarks contained in Public Law 110–28 and declares whether satisfactory progress toward meeting these benchmarks is, or is not, being achieved—referred to the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 110–58). **Page H10372**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Congratulating scientists F. Sherwood Rowland, Mario Molina, and Paul Crutzen for their work in atmospheric chemistry, particularly concerning the formation and decomposition of ozone, that led to the development of the Montreal Protocol on Sub-

stances that Deplete the Ozone Layer: H. Res. 593, to congratulate scientists F. Sherwood Rowland, Mario Molina, and Paul Crutzen for their work in atmospheric chemistry, particularly concerning the formation and decomposition of ozone, that led to the development of the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer; **Pages H10372–73**

Establishing a Science and Technology Scholarship Program to award scholarships to recruit and prepare students for careers in the National Weather Service and in National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration marine research, atmospheric research, and satellite programs: H.R. 1657, to establish a Science and Technology Scholarship Program to award scholarships to recruit and prepare students for careers in the National Weather Service and in National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration marine research, atmospheric research, and satellite programs, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 360 yeas to 16 nays, Roll No. 868; **Pages H10373–75, H10407**

Extending for two months the authorities of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation: H.R. 3527, to extend for two months the authorities of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 347 yeas to 30 nays, Roll No. 869; **Pages H10384, H10407–08**

Providing authority to the Peace Corps to provide separation pay for host country resident personal services contractors of the Peace Corps: H.R. 3528, to provide authority to the Peace Corps to provide separation pay for host country resident personal services contractors of the Peace Corps; **Pages H10384–85**

Commending the first democratic elections in Aceh, a province in Sumatra, Indonesia, and expressing support for the further democratic development and implementation of the Helsinki Memorandum of Understanding: H. Res. 238, to commend the first democratic elections in Aceh, a province in Sumatra, Indonesia, and to express support for the further democratic development and implementation of the Helsinki Memorandum of Understanding; **Pages H10391–93**

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Government of the People's Republic of China should immediately release from custody the children of Rebiya Kadeer and Canadian citizen Huseyin Celil and should refrain from further engaging in acts of cultural, linguistic, and

religious suppression directed against the Uyghur people: H. Res. 497, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that the Government of the People's Republic of China should immediately release from custody the children of Rebiya Kadeer and Canadian citizen Huseyin Celil and should refrain from further engaging in acts of cultural, linguistic, and religious suppression directed against the Uyghur people;

Pages H10393–95

Recognizing the 50th anniversary of Malaysia's independence: H. Res. 518, amended, to recognize the 50th anniversary of Malaysia's independence;

Pages H10395–97

Recognizing the remarkable example of Sir Nicholas Winton who organized the rescue of 669 Jewish Czechoslovakian children from Nazi death camps prior to the outbreak of World War II: H. Res. 583, to recognize the remarkable example of Sir Nicholas Winton who organized the rescue of 669 Jewish Czechoslovakian children from Nazi death camps prior to the outbreak of World War II;

Pages H10397–H10400

Commending the actions of the Government of Germany and its cooperation with United States intelligence agencies in preventing a large-scale terrorist attack against locations in Germany, including sites frequented by Americans: H. Res. 639, amended, to commend the actions of the Government of Germany and its cooperation with United States intelligence agencies in preventing a large-scale terrorist attack against locations in Germany, including sites frequented by Americans; and

Pages H10400–01

Awarding a Congressional Gold Medal to Michael Ellis DeBakey, M.D.: H.R. 1154, to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Michael Ellis DeBakey, M.D.

Pages H10401–06

Supplemental Report: Agreed that the Committee on Financial Services be permitted to file a supplemental report on H.R. 1852, to modernize and update the National Housing Act and enable the Federal Housing Administration to use risk-based pricing to more effectively reach underserved borrowers.

Page H10406

Recess: The House recessed at 4:48 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

Page H10406

Suspension—Failed: The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Regional Economic and Infrastructure Development Act of 2007: H.R. 3246, amended, to amend title 40, United States Code, to provide a comprehensive regional approach to economic and infrastructure development in the most severely economi-

cally distressed regions in the Nation, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 225 yeas to 152 nays, Roll No. 867.

Pages H10375–84, H10406–07

Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed until Tuesday, September 18th:

Vietnam Human Rights Act of 2007: H.R. 3096, amended, to promote freedom and democracy in Vietnam.

Pages H10385–91

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H10435.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H10406–07, H10407, H10407–08. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:11 p.m.

Committee Meetings

EXPANDING HOMEOWNERSHIP ACT OF 2007

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a structured rule. The rule provides 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 1852, Expanding Homeownership Act of 2007, divided and controlled by the Chairman and Ranking Minority Member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services, modified by the amendment printed in Part A of the Rules Committee report, shall be considered as adopted. The bill as amended shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill as amended.

The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in Part B of the Rules Committee report. The further amendments made in order in Part B may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subjected to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against the amendments except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule